

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

KEVIN C. BRATHWAITE,)
)
 Petitioner,)
)
 v.) Civil Action No. 06-472-GMS
)
 THOMAS CARROLL,)
 Warden, and CARL C.)
 DANBERG, Attorney)
 General of the State of)
 Delaware,)
)
 Respondents.)

O R D E R

WHEREAS, you have filed a form petition for federal habeas corpus relief pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254; and

WHEREAS, the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996 ("AEDPA"), 28 U.S.C. § 2244, effectively precludes petitioners from filing a second or subsequent habeas petition except in the most unusual of circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit has mandated that, before ruling on the merits of a your petition, you must be given notice that the AEDPA applies to your pending petition, see United States v. Miller, 197 F.3d 644 (3d Cir. 1999) and Mason v. Meyers, 208 F.3d 414 (3d Cir. 2000).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this 16^H day of August, 2006, that, on or before September 18, 2006, you must file the

attached election form with the Court. Failure to timely return the completed election form will result in the Court's ruling on your pending petition as filed.



United States District Judge

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John A. [illegible]". Below the signature, the text "United States District Judge" is printed in a standard font.